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Hiroshi YAMANE et al.

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CONTINUOUS CASTING OF METALS



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Sir:

In compliance with Rules 1.97 and 1.98, and in fulfillment of the duty of disclosure under Rule 1.56, the accompanying document, a copy of which is attached to this statement, is made of record on the enclosed sheet.

A concise explanation of the relevance of this item is that we are advised by our client that this reference was discovered during any searches they or their client had made, or that it was considered in the preparation of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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